

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application. No. : 10/509,440  
Confirmation. No. : 7440  
Applicant(s) : Kenichi Kudo et al.  
Filed : September 24, 2004  
Title : Equipment and Method for Feeding Liquid Gradient in Nano/micro Liquid Chromatography  
TC/A.U. : 1797  
Examiner : Ernest G. Therkorn  
Docket No. : IWI-15694

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT "B" and Response to Restriction Requirement**

(In response to Paper No. /Mail Date 20071220)

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated December 27, 2007. Because the one-month response period expired January 27, 2008, Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page **2** of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **5** of this paper.